# Daily Digest

## Senate

## Chamber Action

Senate was not in session today. It will next meet on Monday, May 13, 1996, at 12 noon.

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### GAMBLING IMPACT STUDY COMMISSION

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee began consideration of S. 704, to authorize funds to establish the Gambling Impact Study Commission to study and report to the President and the Congress, all matters relating to the impact of gambling on States and possible alternative sources of State revenue, but did not take final action thereon, and will meet again on Tuesday, May 14.

## SMALL BUSINESS INVESTMENT COMPANY REFORM

Committee on Small Business: Committee held hearings on proposed legislation to strengthen, expand and improve the Small Business Administration Small Business Investment Company program, receiving testimony from Patricia R. Forbes, Acting Associate Deputy Administrator for Economic Development, Small Business Administration; Harvey L. Granat, Sterling Commercial Capital, Great Neck, New York; Terry L. Jones, SYNCOM Capital Corporation, Silver Spring, Maryland; and C. Walter Dick, Pioneer Capital Corporation/Pioneer Ventures, Boston, Massachusetts.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

### **INTELLIGENCE**

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

## House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 3433–3447; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 175–177, and H. Res. 431–432 were introduced. Pages H4901–02

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 1483, to amend title 38, United States Code, to allow revision of veterans benefits decisions based on clear and unmistakable error (H. Rept. 104–571); and

H.R. 3373, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve certain veterans' benefits programs.

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Rogers to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H4803 Journal: By a yea-and-nay vote of 317 yeas to 71 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 163, the

House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Thursday, May 9.

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Adoption of Minority Children: By a yea-and-nay vote of 393 yeas to 15 nays, Roll No. 165, the House passed H.R. 3286, to help families defray adoption cost, and to promote the adoption of minority children.

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Rejected the Young amendment that sought to eliminate provisions dealing with adoption of Indian children and Indian child custody proceedings (rejected by a yea-and-nay vote of 195 yeas to 212 nays, Roll No. 164).

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Department of Defense Authorization: By a yeaand-nay vote of 235 yeas to 149 nays, Roll No. 166, House agreed to H. Res. 430, providing for consideration of H.R. 3230, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1997 for military activities of the Department of Defense and to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1997.

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Legislative Program: The Majority Whip announced the legislative program for the week of May 13. Agreed to adjourn from Friday to Tuesday.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Tuesday, May 14, it adjourn to meet at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 15 for the purpose of receiving former Members of Congress.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of May 15. Page H4837

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H4807, H4821, H4821–22, and H4836. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 4:42 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

## VETERANS AFFAIRS-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Veterans Affairs, Housing and Urban Development and Independent Agencies concluded appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### CONCURRENT BUDGET RESOLUTION

Committee on the Budget: Ordered reported the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 1997.

#### OVERSIGHT—GSA

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information and Technology held an oversight hearing on the GSA. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GSA: David J. Barram, Acting Administrator; David L. Bibb, Deputy Commissioner, Public Buildings Service; Frank Pugliese, Commissioner, Federal Supply Service; and Marty Wagner, Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation; and public witnesses.

## FOOD SAFETY

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations held a hearing on Food Safety: Oversight of the FDA's Center for Veterinary Medicine. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Michael Friedman, M.D., Deputy Commissioner, FDA; Stephen Sundlof, D.V.M., Director,

Center for Veterinary Medicine; and Fred Shank, Director, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition; and public witnesses.

## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD Week of May 13 through 18, 1996

### Senate Chamber

On *Monday and Tuesday*, Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 2937, relating to former employees of the White House Travel Office, with a vote on a motion to close further debate on Dole Amendment No. 3961, to repeal the 4.3 cent gas tax to occur thereon.

During the balance of the week Senate may consider any legislative or executive item cleared for consideration.

(Senate will recess on Tuesday, May 14, 1996, from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for respective party conferences.)

### **Senate Committees**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: May 15, to hold hearings to examine how the Commodity Futures Trading Commission oversees markets in times of volatile prices and tight supplies, 9:30 a.m., SR-332.

Committee on Appropriations: May 14 and 16, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Tuesday, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for foreign assistance programs, focusing on narcotics, 10 a.m.; Thursday, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for foreign assistance programs, focusing on the New Independent States, 10 a.m.; Tuesday in SD–192 and Thursday in SD–106.

May 14, 15 and 16, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997, Tuesday, for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, 2 p.m.; Wednesday, for the National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce, 10 a.m.; for the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, 2 p.m.; Thursday, for the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, 9:30 a.m.; for the Department of State, 2 p.m.; Tuesday at 2 p.m., Wednesday at 10 a.m., Wednesday at 2 p.m., Thursday at 9:30 a.m. and Thursday at 2 p.m., S–146, Capitol.

May 15, Subcommittee on Interior, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of the Interior, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

May 15, Subcommittee on Defense, closed briefing on F–22, F–18 and Joint Strike Fighter Programs, 10 a.m., S–407, Capitol.

May 15 and 17, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997, Wednesday, for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 2 p.m.;

Friday, for the Corporation for National and Community Service, 9:30 a.m.; SD-192.

May 15, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Health and Human Services, 2 p.m., SD–192.

May 15, Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for the Executive Office of the President and the Office of Personnel Management, 2 p.m., SD–138.

May 16, Subcommittee on Transportation, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for the United States Coast Guard, 10 a.m., SD-192

Committee on Armed Services: May 14, to hold closed hearings on certain pending military nominations, 2 p.m., SR–222.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: May 14, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Federal Aviation Administration and the Airport Improvement Program, 9:30 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: May 14, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, to hold hearings to examine the management and costs of class action lawsuits at Department of Energy facilities, 9:30 a.m., SD–366.

May 15, Full Committee, business meeting, to consider

pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD–366.

May 16, Subcommittee on Parks, Historic Preservation and Recreation, to hold hearings on S. 621, to designate the Great Western Trail for potential addition to the National Trail System, H.R. 531, to designate the Great Western Scenic Trail as a study trail under the National Trails System Act, S. 1049, to designate the route from Selma to Montgomery as a National Historic Trail, S. 1706, to increase the amount authorized to be appropriated for assistance for highway relocation with respect to the Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park in Georgia, and S. 1725, to create a third category of long-distance trails to be known as national discovery trails and to authorize the American Discovery Trail as the first national discovery trail, 9:30 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: May 14, business meeting, to consider the nomination of Hubert T. Bell, Jr., of Alabama, to be Inspector General, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, 2:15 p.m., S–216, Capitol.

Committee on Foreign Relations: May 15, Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings to update United

States policy towards Nigeria, 2 p.m., SD-419.

May 16, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion, to hold hearings to examine commercial diplomacy for a changing international business environment, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: May 15, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine Russian organized crime in the United States, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: May 14, to hold hearings to examine proposals to revise the false statements statute,

focusing on the case Hubbard v. United States, 10 a.m., SD-226.

May 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine issues relative to combating violence against women, 10 a.m., SD–226.

May 16, Full Committee, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: May 14, Sub-committee on Aging, to hold hearings to examine challenges faced by an aging society, 9 a.m., SD-430.

May 16, Full Committee, to hold oversight hearings on the healthy start demonstration project, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Rules and Administration: May 15, to resume hearings on proposals to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for a voluntary system of spending limits and partial public financing of Senate primary and general election campaigns, to limit contributions by multicandidate political committees, and to reform the financing of Federal elections and Senate campaigns, 10 a.m., SR–301.

#### **House Chamber**

*Monday,* No legislative business is scheduled. *Tuesday and Wednesday,* Consideration of the following 4 Suspensions:

1. H.R. 2066, Healthy Meals for Children Act;

2. H.R. 1129, Selma to Montgomery National Historic Trail;

3. H.R. 2464, Addition of Lands to Goshute Indian Reservation; and

4. H.R. 2982, Carbon Hill National Fish Hatchery Conveyance Act.

Consideration of H.R. 3230, the National Defense Authorization Act (modified closed rule, 2 hours of general debate).

Thursday, H. Res. , Fiscal Year 1997 Budget Resolution (subject to a rule being granted).

Friday, No legislative business is scheduled.

Note.—Conference reports may be brought up at any time. Any further program will be announced later.

### **House Committees**

Committee on Agriculture, May 14, Subcommittee on Resource Conservation, Research, and Forestry, hearing to review intramural and extramural research programs coordinated by the USDA, 9 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

May 15 and 16, Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry and the Subcommittee on Risk Management and Specialty Crops, joint hearings to consider issues raised by a recently released study of trading practices and procedures on the National Cheese Exchange, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, May 14, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on Nahal Laurentee 2 p.m. 2350 Dauburn

Nobel Laureates, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

May 15, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, on Secretary of State, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

May 15 and 16, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on Members of Congress, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., on May 15 and 10 a.m., on May 16, 2358 Rayburn.

May 16, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on Consolidated Departmental Management; and on Consolidated Inspectors General,

1:30 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, May 15, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, oversight hearing on Electricity Regulation: A Vision for the Future, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

May 15, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Hazardous Materials, hearing on H.R. 2740, Fan Freedom and Community Protection Act, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities, May 16, to consider pending business, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, May 14, Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs, hearing on the Effects of a Minimum Wage Increase, 9 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

May 15, full committee, hearing on H.R. 3078, Federal Agency Anti-Lobbying Act, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Ray-

burn.

May 16, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information and Technology, hearing on Senior Executive Branch Officials Compliance with Federal Travel Guidelines, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

May 16, Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs, hearing on the Impact of Regulations on Employment, 10 a.m., 2154

Rayburn.

May 16, Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs and Criminal Justice, hearing on Mismanagement and Waste at the White House Communications Agency, 11 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, May 15, hearing on the History of Armenian Genocide, 10 a.m., 2172 Ray-

ourn.

Committee on the Judiciary, May 14, hearing on H.R. 2674, Intellectual Property Antitrust Protection Act of 1995, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

May 15, Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on H.R. 3396, Defense of Marriage Act, 1:30 p.m., 2226 Rayburn.

May 16, Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, oversight hearing regarding projected increases in legal

immigration, 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, May 15, oversight hearing on U.S. Fish and Wildlife activities and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

May 16, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans, oversight hearing on the National Fish and

Wildlife Foundation, 9 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Science, May 14, Subcommittee on Technology, hearing on Solving the Year 2000 Software Problem: Creating Blueprints for Success, 1 p.m., 2325 Rayburn.

May 15, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, to mark up the Department of Energy's Civilian Research and Development Act of 1996, 1:30 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

May 16, Subcommittee on Technology, hearing on proposed amendments to the Metric System Conversion Act,

10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, May 15, hearing on small businesses and entry-level employment opportunities, with emphasis on the minimum wage and other proposals for increasing entry-level employment opportunities, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, May 16, Subcommittee on Surface Transportation, to continue hearings on ISTEA Reauthorization Transportation Finance in an Era of Scarce Resources: the Highway Trust Fund, 9:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committée on Intelligence, May 15, executive, hearing on Small Satellites, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

## Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: May 14, to hold hearings to examine the Russian media role in their country's election for 1996, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn Building.

## Next Meeting of the SENATE 12 noon, Monday, May 13

#### Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After the recognition of certain Senators for speeches and the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 3:30 p.m.), Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 2937, relating to the White House Travel Office/Former Employees.

## Next Meeting on the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 14

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